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## **GEORGIA'S EGG PRODUCTION DOWN 1 PERCENT FROM LAST YEAR**

The State's laying flocks produced 352 million eggs during September 2011, down 1 percent from the number produced in September of last year, according to the USDA, NASS, Georgia Field Office. September production included 191 million table eggs, up 2 percent from the previous year and 161 million hatching eggs, down 4 percent from the previous year.

The average number of layers in all flocks, regardless of size, for September was 16.3 million layers, down 3 percent from last year. The average number of layers in table egg flocks 30,000 and above was 7.79 million layers. Eggs laid per 100 layers during September averaged 2,162, up 2 percent from the previous year.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2011 totaled 114 million, down 2 percent from September of the previous year.

## **SEPTEMBER EGG PRODUCTION DOWN SLIGHTLY**

United States egg production totaled 7.51 billion during September 2011, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.49 billion table eggs, and 1.02 billion hatching eggs, of which 952 million were broiler-type and 68 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during September 2011 averaged 336 million, down 1 percent from last year. September egg production per 100 layers was 2,236 eggs, up 1 percent from September 2010.

All layers in the United States on October 1, 2011 totaled 335 million, down slightly from last year. The 335 million layers consisted of 281 million layers producing table or market type eggs, 51.2 million layers producing broiler-type hatching eggs, and 2.95 million layers producing egg-type hatching eggs. Rate of lay per day on October 1, 2011, averaged 74.6 eggs per 100 layers, up 1 percent from October 1, 2010.

Egg-type chicks hatched during September 2011 totaled 40.3 million, up slightly from September 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 36.5 million on October 1, 2011, down 8 percent from a year ago.

Broiler-type chicks hatched during September 2011 totaled 721 million, down 5 percent from September 2010. Eggs in incubators totaled 572 million on October 1, 2011, down 8 percent from a year earlier.